IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Jose Barbosa Machado NETO

Application No. : 10/686,288

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For : Making or Engraving Means Applied Over the External

Surface of Meats in General and Resulting Product

Examiner : Samuel M. Heinrich

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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Dear Examiner Heinrich:

In response to the Office Action dated October 30, 2006, please amend the above-identified application, as follows: